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UPCOMING SUNDAYS:

Sermon Series: The Man After God's Own Heart

June 13

Scripture: 1 Samuel 15:34-16-13 Title: On Eyes

June 20

Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:1-11, 32-51 Title: Unexpected

<u>June 27</u>

Scripture: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Title: Grace Above All

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Benjamin J. Wines Senior Pastor

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This week, I want to talk briefly about two things: one is very practical and one is more spiritual. First, the more practical. I am excited by the opportunity over the course of this summer to reach out to our neighbors in McDougall Terrace and provide snacks for them! This is a wonderful chance to help families and small children in our community who are facing a persistent problem—hunger. So many people struggle with hunger and/or food insecurity in our world, wondering where their next meal is going to come from. Our Summer Snacks Project is one chance for us to do our part to combat hunger here in Durham. And there are so many ways to get involved!

First, you can help out by going and purchasing food items that are easy for folks to make for lunch or for a snack (list is provided on the inside of this Illuminator under "Local Missions"). Second, you can help out by making a monetary donation to the project. This allows the Missions Team to go out and purchase needed food items. If you want to donate money, please make your check payable to HVBC and write "Summer Snacks Project" in the Memo line. Finally, you can help out by donating your time either by packing bags to be delivered or by volunteering to help deliver the bags to McDougall Terrace. If you'd like to be contacted about either packing or delivering, please reach out to Julie Stoops, Leigh Bigger, or Barbara Rowley!

The other thing I wanted to share with you all is something I was thinking about the other day. I had gone on a run for the first time in a long time (meaning my legs have been barking at me for a while now!) and was listening to music on my phone. I had the phone set to shuffle through all my songs and one came up that I hadn't heard in a while. It was called "Empty" by a band named The Sowing Season. "Empty" is a slower song with a simple tune, but the lyrics are beautiful. They speak about the experiences that Mary, Thomas, and Saul have with the risen Christ. In each verse, each of these people are reminded of the incredible love of God, the love that raised Jesus from the dead, overcame their doubts, and

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PRAYER CONCERNS (new additions/updates in bold)

Sympathy is extended to Peggy Biddy & family in the passing of Doug Biddy. Please continue to be in prayer for the family as they grieve.

Valle De Esperanza Iglesia Bautista

COVID-19 Pandemic

Church family with Health Concerns:

Irene Barnes - heart issues

Sam & Pat Beasley

Karen Bolton - flare up of trigeminal nerve pain

Joan Burke

Rachel Dossett - recovery from leg surgery

Marie Bush - good report from doctor

Heidi Hall - spinal muscular atrophy (daughter of Sandra & Rick Hall)

Woody Harton - stroke

Julie Hayes - fire at apartment complex, staying at hotel

Kaye Jenkins - recovery from knee surgery

Linda Marshall

Kendra Merritt - blood clot issues

Nancy Michal - in rehab

Brenda Morton - recovery from fall

Keith Packer

Frank Pokorny - stomach pains

Carol Rigsbee Barbara Sanders

Fave Shelton - blood cancer

Mary Summerlin - chemo treatments

Jerry Tew - Parkinson's

Carolyn Tippett - recovery from hip surgery, leukemia

Wayne Webster - recovery from fall, in rehab

Robin Wimberley - surgery on June 11

Senior Living Centers:

Family Care Home: Fadine Harris - under Hospice care

Durham Regent: Marcella Jerdon Brookdale, Chapel Hill: Jane Liske

Emerald Pond: Lee Schevill

Universal Health Care: Marie Thompson

HVBC friends and family:

Candy Arnold - brain tumor, chemo (niece of Carol Atkins)

Phil Atkins (friend of Carl & Carol Atkins)

Britt Bentley - waiting for heart and kidney transplant (son of Susan Bentley)

Rebecca Biddy - seizures (daughter-in-law of Peggy & Doug Biddy)

Hayley Brady - blood clots in lungs (sister of Ginger Rose)

Ruby Chumney - heart & lung problems (mother of the Dossett's neighbor)

Ray Clayton - at memory care facility (brother of Linda Kyles)

Joan Cozart - brain tumor (friend of Joan Burke)

Fulton de La Morton - back issues (friend of Dossett's)

Josh, Jamie Denton & their 2 daughters - COVID (son of Connie Bass)

JaQuavion Ervin - young boy in foster care with no family (from Scott Rose)

Amy Eubanks - COVID & back problems (former member)

Grayson Evans - health issues (grandson of Ron & Gail Templeton)

Paul Fain - stomach cancer (friend of Steve & Karen Bolton)

Lori Gentry - home after hospital stay (daughter of Gary & Mary Kyles)

Phyllis Griffitts - lupus (sister-in-law of Terry & Betty Griffitts)

Jackie Harris - dementia (aunt of Julie Stoops, sister of Tommie Calhoun)

Aaron Haupt - health issues (grandson of Barbara Sanders)

Alphus & Sherri Herndon - he has cancer & she has Alzheimer's (cousin of Brenda Morton & Irene Barnes)

PRAYER CONCERNS (continued)

JoAnn Ivey - cancer (sister of Fred Ivey)

Tom Jackson - health problems (former interim Pastor)

Dana Kelly - heart issues (father of Don Kelly)

Annie Bell King - recovery from fall (grandmother of Andy Wimberley)

Mike Layne - heart attack & surgery (family member of the Dossett's)

Paul Lemay - cancer (uncle of Kevin Simone)

Lindsey - anorexia (friend of Jonathan Herring)

Bob Liske - cancer (son of Jane Liske)

Tim Liske - seizures (grandson of Jane Liske)

Doris Lynch - health issues (stepmother of Rick Lynch)

Junior Martin - cancer (friend of Joan Burke)

Judah Mathis - one year old with kidney & bladder problems (great grandson of HVBC first pastor, Bill Pearson)

Mark May - autoimmune disease (nephew of Linda Kyles)

Hallie Moore (friend of Sean Timmons)

Hazel Norman - upcoming back surgery (friend of the Dossett's)

Juliet Atieno Otieno - 15-year-old with Lupus (friend of Scott Rose)

John Pierce (grandson of Carl & Carol Atkins)

Sheri Rasberry - cancer (sister-in-law of Michelle Hunt)

Weston Rasberry - health issues, lost of sight in eye (nephew of Michelle Hunt)

Jane Righter - cancer & shoulder replacement (friend of Mary Myers)

Payton & Brittany Rigsbee - both have health concerns

(granddaughters of Carol Rigsbee)
Ashley Robbins - cancer (granddaughter of Brenda Morton)

Bill Roberson (friend of Scott Rose)

Joe Rollins - recovery from fall (cousin of Carol Atkins)

Robbie Sanders - kidney stones (son of Barbara Sanders)

Susan Smileowicz - COVID & stroke (friend of Steve & Karen

Bolton); daughter, Amy also has COVID

Charlotte Soltes (mother of Jessie Lynch)

Karen Stewart - stem cell procedure (friend of Cindy Horton)

Irene Taylor - heart & bladder issues (mother of Rachel Dossett)

Matthew Taylor - salvation and direction (request by the Dossetts) Woodrow Taylor - recovery from shoulder surgery (father of

Jennifer Bowen)

Grant Tew - cancer, recovery from surgery (son of Jerry & Idell Tew)

Ronnie Thompson - cancer (son of Marie Thompson)

Elaine & Tom vanDalen - both have health concerns (sister & brother-in-law of Karen Bolton)

Michael Van Pelt (son of Kendra Merritt)

Clifton Walker - COVID (friend of Linda Kyles)

Tommy Walker - recovery from heart surgery (brother of Mary Myers)

Jeff Webb - brain tumor (friend of Scott Rose)

Diane Wichmann - recovery from gall bladder surgery (family of Linda Marshall)

Fred Wilkie - recovery from heart surgery (father of Jerry & Idell Tew's daughter-in-law)

John Williams, Senior and family - under hospice care (uncle of Linda Ward)

Military Service Personnel:

Amos (son of Hector Corchado)

Chris Buchanan (nephew of Barbara Rowley)

Clayton Davis (grandson of Linda Marshall)

Travis Hayes (nephew of Ginger Hayes)

Blake Smith (son-in-law of John & Mary Myers)

Around Our World:

Leena Lavanya - has COVID, missionary with ServeTrust working in India; Pastor Koteswarao & Chowtu Palem Church (our partner church in India



LOCAL MISSIONS

Missions Opportunity: Summer Snacks Project

The Missions Team would like to kick off a project to provide some easy lunch or snack items for families at McDougall Terrace in Durham. We will run this project through August 19. Our goal is to make deliveries every 2 weeks to the community. Here is a list of specific food items that would be appreciated:

Cups of fruit – peaches, applesauce, etc.
Pudding cups
Peanut butter (small jars, not glass)
Granola bars
Jelly (small jars, not glass)
Nab Crackers
Individual sized animal crackers
Individual cups of macaroni & cheese, ravioli, spaghetti

There are 3 different ways you can help!

- 1. You can participate by purchasing any of these items and dropping them off at the church, we will have a covered plastic bin outside the office door where they can be placed.
- 2. If you would rather participate by giving a monetary donation, the missions team will purchase the needed items. Please make checks payable to HVBC and designate Summer Snacks Project.
- 3. If you would like to be a contact person to help with the delivery of the food, contact Julie Stoops, Leigh Bigger or Barbara Rowley.

Thank you in advance for your help with this mission opportunity to serve others!



Hope Valley Baptist Church Blood Drive

Will be held in the Fellowship Hall 6900 Garrett Road, Durham NC 27707

Friday, June 11, 2021 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Schedule a blood donation appointment today: Download the Blood Donor App | Red-CrossBlood.org or call 1-800-733-2767

All donors will receive a free limited edition Red Cross t-shirt.



(United Blood Drive of America)



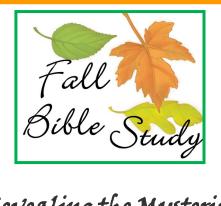
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forgave their sins. The song gently points to the message of the gospel—that God offers new life through the resurrected Christ. These three people enter the song empty, but they leave it filled up with the abundant grace of God. It reminded me of the ways in which God fills each of us up, the subtle ways that God gives us life and encourages us to bless and give life to others. The God that is spoken of in "Empty" is one who is loving and generous and kind. May we seek to imitate our God in all that we do. May we continue to follow the example of God's son, Jesus Christ. May we always listen for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

If you would like to listen to "Empty," open your web browser and go to www.voutube.com. Find the search bar at the top of the page and type "empty the sowing season official audio" in. It should be your first result, with a picture of a red circle that has a drawing of a fox and a sparrow on it.

Grace and peace to you all,

Ben



Revealing the Mysteries **of Heaven** By Dr. David Jeremiah

Start Date: Tuesday, September 14 at 9:30 am End Date: Tuesday, November 16

Total Cost: \$37.75

Right now we are trying to get an idea of how many participants we anticipate. Please let Robin or Linda Ward know if you are interested.



Our family will hold a memorial service for **Sandy Sanders**

> Saturday, June 12, 2021 1:00 pm

American Legion Post 416 5419 S Alston Avenue Durham, NC 27713

There will be a light reception following the service.

Barbara Sanders



Congratulations to our Graduates:

Helen Bowen graduated from Western Carolina in December 2020.

Cassie Hall has graduated from Jordan High School.

Maggie Hunt graduated in the spring from Methodist University.

We will be recognizing and honoring these graduates this Sunday, June 13 during the morning worship service.

Barbara Sanders granddaughter also just graduated from high school. LeeElla Williams from Leander, TX will be attending Sam Houston State University in the fall.